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## NOTICE

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## HOME ECONOMICS EXTENSION WORK MEETS WITH A CORDIAL RE- CEPTION

College Park, Md., June 12.

Miss Katherine E. Pritchett, who early in May was appointed Assistant State Agent in charge of Woman's Demonstration Work, has been engaged in making a preliminary survey of conditions affecting her work in Maryland. Regarding them she says:

"The reception of Home Economics Extension Work, which is being organized throughout the State, is very encouraging. Five

counties have each appropriated money for a Home Demonstrator; two appropriating sufficient funds to employ an agent for the year, the remaining counties for five months. Two counties have sent representatives to the College requesting the organization of the work in their counties. We hope to meet these demands in the near future.

"Wherever the movement has been presented it has been enthusiastically received, not only by the farm girl and woman for whom the work has been primarily planned, but also by the civic clubs and the womans' federated clubs; these have offered their co-operation and assistance in making the work a success. The Grangers are proving a very helpful factor, lending their support in various ways. Much of the success of the work has been due, and will continue to be, due to the splendid co-operation of the local School Boards and the teachers. They have placed their schools at the service of the Home Economics Extension Director, to be used at any time and in any way that will promote the work. The use of the schools is very materially facilitating the organization of the girls' clubs at the present time. During the winter the schools will be used as community centers, as centers for home demonstrations and in many other ways.

"One of the most encouraging aspects at present is the spirit in which the movement has been received, not only by the women, but by the men. The men seemed to be awakened to the idea that to make the farm home happier, the burden of the farm women must be lightened. She must have more time for leisure and recreation. In many

cases the men have shown their appreciation by assisting financially. This is a most effectual way to show their appreciation.

"We hope that the Home Demonstrator will render as great, and even a greater service to the farm wife, as the farm Demonstrator does to the farmer."

## GARDEN CAMPAIGN IN PROGRESS IN BALTIMORE CITY

College Park, Md., June 11.

Beginning June 7th, a Garden Campaign, under the direction of the Extension Service has been in progress in Baltimore city.

For three weeks last year a similar campaign was held in co-operation with the Baltimore Sun. Coupons were printed in the Sun which served as applications for advice on garden problems. Professors J. F. Munroe, R. Brigham and B. W. Anson, of the College, carried on this campaign. Something over 150 personal visits were made to gardens of all descriptions. Advice and suggestions of all kinds were given pertaining to the elimination of certain soil difficulties, also disease and insect problems.

Wherever these visits were made, the members were most cordially received and great interest was manifested. Through this campaign a large number of people were reached who heretofore had no conception of the work of the College. In addition to the personal visits, many of the inquiries were answered direct by correspondence. Owing to the success of the campaign last year, arrangements have been made to carry on a similar campaign this year.

Prof. S. B. Shaw and C. E. Temple, of the Extension Service, and







Prof. B. W. Anson, of the Department of Floriculture and Landscape Gardening will carry on this work. Mayor Preston, of Baltimore, has expressed his desire to co-operate in this work. Through his co-operation, an automobile of one of the city departments has been placed at the disposal of the experts for several hours each day. By this means a greater number of people can be reached than was the case last year.

Realizing that many men find it impossible to be at home during the day to meet the experts, arrangements have been made so that the parties can receive personal advice. The Municipal Journal Room, in the City Building has been placed at our disposal. Here the experts will meet all parties desiring advice on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings, from 8 to 10.30 o'clock.

#### SUMMER SCHOOL FOR RURAL TEACHERS OPENS JUNE 21

College Park, Md., June 11.

The second session of the summer school for teachers will begin at the Maryland Agricultural College on June 21st, and continue until July 30th.

The summer work has been made an integral part of the activities of the College. In the session this year, sixty courses are offered in review work in the elementary school subjects, Agriculture, Domestic Science and Art, Manual Arts, Zoology, Entomology, Botany, Government Chemistry, Mathematics, English, German, French, Education, Library Economy and Play Ground Activities.

The College is making preparations to accommodate the large number of teachers who have been enrolled for the coming session.

#### BOYS' CLUB AGENT FOR MARYLAND IS APPOINTED

College Park, Md., June 12.

Mr. G. H. Alford, State Agent in charge of Demonstration Work, has

announced the appointment of the new Assistant State Agent in charge of Boys' Club work, Reuben Brigham. Mr. Brigham has been connected with the Maryland Agricultural College and Experiment Station for the past two years in charge of publications and publicity. He will now devote his entire time to demonstration work under the Extension Service, his especial field being that of developing boys' agricultural clubs in Maryland, as is being done in every Southern State.

State Agent Alford says regarding him:

"The County Agricultural Agents and the farmers of Maryland are to be congratulated on the appointment of Mr. Reuben Brigham as Assistant State Agent in charge of Boys' Club work in Maryland. Mr. Brigham began work on June 1st, and will devote his entire time to the organization and instruction of boys' clubs in the State. He will not undertake the organization of the clubs to teach agriculture in the public schools, but will, through the County Agents, the County Superintendents of Education, the Granges, Agricultural High Schools and other individuals and organizations, instruct boys in practical agriculture on the farms.

"Mr. Brigham is eminently well qualified for this most important work, and the people of every county in the State will no doubt take full advantage of the opportunity to secure his services."

#### COMMENCEMENT WEEK AT THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

College Park, Md., June 12.

The commencement exercises at the Agricultural College the coming week promises to be the best and most entertaining for years. Thirty-six men will receive their diplomas, this being the largest Senior class ever turned out.

At the Commencement exercises

on Wednesday, Dr. Chas. E. Munroe, Dean of the Graduate School of George Washington University, will deliver the address of the day. The medals for the year will be presented and graduates will receive their degrees and diplomas at this time.

The program for the week is as follows:

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 13th:

4.15 p. m.—Baccalaureate sermon.  
Rev. Randolph McKim, D. D.,  
Washington, D. C.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 14th:

2.00 p. m.—Tennis tournament.  
6.30 p. m.—Military parade.  
7.00–8.00 p. m.—Band concert.  
8.00 p. m.—Class-day exercises.  
Address by Harry J. Kefauver,  
Class '00.

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 15th:

10.00 a. m.—Annual meeting of Alumni.  
1.00 p. m.—Luncheon to Alumni  
2.00 p. m.—Competitive company drill.  
5.00 p. m.—Battalion review  
6.00 p. m.—President's reception to graduating classes, alumni, and faculty.  
8.00 p. m.—Competitive debate by literary societies for Alumni Medal.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16th:

11.00 a. m.—Commencement exercises.  
Address by Dr. Charles E. Munroe, Dean of the Graduate School of George Washington University.  
3.30 p. m.—Exhibition drill and parade.  
8.30 p. m. to 1.00 a. m.—Commencement ball.



on Wednesday, Dr. C. E. Mearns, of the University of Washington, will deliver the address of the day. The address for the year will be presented by the speaker, who will be present from 10 to 12 o'clock in the afternoon.

Monday, June 15th  
8:30 a. m. - Breakfast in hall.  
9:00 a. m. - Lecture in hall.  
10:00 a. m. - Lecture in hall.

Monday, June 15th  
2:00 p. m. - Tennis tournament.  
6:30 p. m. - Military parade.  
7:00-8:00 p. m. - Band concert.  
8:00 p. m. - Class day exercises.  
Address by Henry J. Kelsey.  
Class '00.

Tuesday, June 16th  
10:00 a. m. - Annual report of the Alumni.  
1:00 p. m. - Lecture in Alumni hall.  
2:00 p. m. - Competitive course of study.  
3:00 p. m. - Lecture in hall.  
5:00 p. m. - Lecture in hall.  
8:00 p. m. - Lecture in hall.  
9:00 p. m. - Lecture in hall.

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2:00 p. m. - Lecture in hall.  
3:00 p. m. - Lecture in hall.  
4:00 p. m. - Lecture in hall.

announced the appointment of the new American agent in charge of the Pacific Coast work. Dr. C. E. Mearns has been appointed to the position of agent in charge of the Pacific Coast work. The new agent will be present from 10 to 12 o'clock in the afternoon.

The County Agricultural Agents and the farmers of Washington are to be congratulated on the appointment of Dr. C. E. Mearns as agent in charge of the Pacific Coast work. Dr. Mearns is a well-known expert in the field of agriculture and will be a valuable asset to the department.

The annual report of the department for the year 1900 will be presented at the annual meeting of the department. The report will be presented by the department head, who will be present from 10 to 12 o'clock in the afternoon.

The department of agriculture is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. C. E. Mearns as agent in charge of the Pacific Coast work. Dr. Mearns is a well-known expert in the field of agriculture and will be a valuable asset to the department.

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Commencement exercises for the year 1900.

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